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Mr. Edward Kennelly Commission on Government Security Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kennelly:

Reference is made to our discussions concerning the organization and functions of the Security Office of this Agency. It was understood that you would write a report on the basis of these discussions for use by the Commission in connection with the Commission's study on security problems in Government.

It is requested that the information discussed in our meetings be considered as classified to the equivalent of Secret inasmuch as it covered the organization, functions, procedures and techniques employed by the Security Office of CIA in carrying out its responsibilities. It is further requested that in the event any of the factual information concerning this office, as discussed, is made a part of the Commission's report which may be disseminated or published, that this Agency be first given an opportunity to review with you that information which may be published. As you are aware this Agency does not make public its internal organization, procedures and techniques, and this Agency desires the opportunity to consider the security implications in the event it is proposed by your Commission to publish such information.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Sheffield Edwards Director of Security

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